

## Bridge-an Olympic Mind Sport

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## **Grand National Open Teams**

## Metro (22 Teams)



1<sup>st</sup> Chris Mulley, Simon Brayshaw, Renee Cooper, Ron Cooper (Paul Brayshaw and Andy Hung)



2<sup>nd</sup> Alan Harrop, Cynthia Belonogoff (Jonathan Pynt and Vinod Nasta)

3<sup>rd</sup> Pauline Collett, Doreen Jones, Catherine Hood (and Rez Karim)

## Provincial (6 Teams)



1<sup>st</sup> Hamish McCracken, Christine Bacon, Peter Knight and John Finlay – Jones

2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Wade, Colleen Skipsey, Jenny Dawson and Joe Peci 3<sup>rd</sup> Jay Wongphasuchot, Dymphna Elsey, Pat Allen and Alan Gregor











## President's Report

The ABF has announced that to provide a safe environment for players and officials at ABF Gold Point events, 2022 Covid-19 Event Plans will include the requirement that all players and officials be fully vaccinated. For those ineligible to be vaccinated for medical reasons, a medical certificate confirming such ineligibility along with confirmation of a negative Covid19 test conducted within 3 days of commencement of the event will be required. BAWA will likely introduce a similar requirement for all Open Red Point Events in 2022. This includes ALL Open Red Point Club Congresses. It will be the responsibility of the Tournament Organiser / Convenor to ensure that these requirements are met. This will safeguard the continued Red Point Status and Sponsoring Organisation's (BAWA) approval of the event. MyABF has been asked to investigate the possibility of having eligibility recorded on their site. The requirements for club green point sessions and internal red point events will be determined by individual clubs.

I have received some positive comments regarding the New Partnership Pairs previewed in the previous Focus so a 2-week pair's event where the players have NEVER played together before has been scheduled for September 23. Now, never means, never, not even a club session; also, no practice before the event. This should be a fun event.

The rescheduled Restricted Swiss Pairs will begin on September 9. This 2-week event is for players with less than 300 MP as of June 1 2020. Do Dean emailed me and suggested that less than 500 point events should be considered as many players would fall into this category and would like to play in a less competitive environment; done. Running alongside the 300 RSP will be a 500 Restricted Swiss Pairs. Full details of all three events can be found on the BAWA website – entry will be via MyABF.

Sadly, but not surprisingly both the 2021 Perth ANC and GNOT Finals in

**Brisbane have been cancelled.** There is planning underway to attempt to run both the Interstate Teams and the GNOT Teams as online events.

Unless WA is similarly locked down The Joan Prince Memorial Swan River Swiss Pairs 2021 will still run, but the venue will need to be changed. All entrants will be advised by email.

Nigel Dutton

## SATURDAY BRIDGE West Australian Newspaper

BAWA President Nigel Dutton is writing a weekly column – it doesn't matter what level your game is this will be informative, educational and instructive - and at times tongue in cheek!

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## **Around the Clubs**

By Linda Bedford-Brown

## **Bayswater Bridge Club**

From Sandy Sutton-Mattocks Christmas in July

During the winter months with disruptions from Covid it was great to have something to celebrate and Bayswater Bridge Club took advantage of the tradition of Christmas in July to brighten everyone's spirits. Tournament Manager, Pat Allen, organised the Red Point event and made it very special inviting dignitaries from other clubs.



Our members welcomed Claudine Lapere, Treasurer of Joondalup, Angela McDonnell President of Canning, Sandy Sutton-Mattocks President of Bayswater and Dirk Lapere President of Joondalup.



There were lots of party food and fun costumes with Claire Tredget winning the top prize for her hysterical Christmas Turkey costume.





Anne Philbey



Jacqui Kumkar



Laurie Cooper

## 2021 Bayswater Congress

Time to enter on the BAWA site for the friendly 2021 Bayswater Restricted Congress to be held on Sunday, October 3rd starting at 10.00am. The event is restricted to 0 - 300 Masterpoints as at July 1st 2021. Prizes will be approximately 70% of proceeds after costs. BYO lunch or order upon arrival. The bar will be open after bridge and it is hoped that many will stay to congratulate the winners. Neville Walker is the Director. Pat Allen the Convenor.

Springtime Beginner Lessons

6-Week Course with Sandy Sutton-Mattocks.

Springtime Beginner Lessons, a 6-weeks course with Sandy, from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm starting on

Monday, September 13th 2021 - Cost \$10. To book, email Sandy on sandy.7notrumps@gmail.com

Refresher Course with Sue Levy



Sue Levy is holding a series of Refresher Lessons on Defence, recently covering Opening Leads. Sue plans to continue the lessons in September. The lesson, which are free to members, take place on Wednesdays from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon in time to share lunch before the afternoon session at 12.30 pm.



Directors' Course

Five of our members enrolled in the 4-week Directors' Course run by Neville Walker and Dave Parham. Neville introduced the various Movements and CompScore 2 and Dave took us through the most common calls to the table. Pat Allen and Kevin Outred, both of whom currently direct at Bayswater Bridge Club, were joined by Carolyn Reed, Ivan Johnson and Sandy Sutton-Mattocks. Everyone found the lessons worthwhile, informative and inspiring.

### Vale

It is with sadness we note the passing of our long-term members of our club Florence Wynn and Jill Thompson. Both were original members from the Trinity School for Seniors contingent taught by Sue Levy and they have been treasured members and close friends for years. We will never forget the companionship and joy they brought to our club.

## Sessions

All welcome to come along to our Bayswater Club, Top Floor, with lift, at Bayswater Tennis Club, corner of Garratt Road and Murray Street. Mondays and Wednesdays starting at 12.30 pm. Both sessions are very friendly but Mondays are especially gentle days, great for players new to bridge.

## **Geraldton District Bridge Club**

From Heather Cupitt



he Barbara Allen Trophy was won by Richard Bailey and Norma Follington.



2<sup>nd</sup> Liz Woodman and Norma Lodge 3rd Lila Evans and Elise Criddle

Students of the game seem to find the concept of discarding losers on winners, as soon as possible, a hard concept. This interesting hand showed that experienced players find it difficult too!

Brd Dlr Vul

- KIT9874
- 63
- K942

- AQ52
- AKJT94



- - Q875532
- **I863**

- AKQ987542
- AT7

Thirteen tricks roll in IF the south declarer discards the two club losers on the AK of Hearts when in dummy, as there are only two entries to the hand. Only two players of seven found this play.

## West Coast Bridge Club

From Hilary Heptinstall

2021 Annual General Meeting

President	Geoff Friebe
Vice-President	Sara Westergren
Secretary	Ann Patrick
Treasurer	Patsy Davey
Committee members	Patrick Garnett,
	Sally Brittliffe,
	Sid Roatch,
	Sue Vincent,
	Linda Martin

Our AGM was held on Sunday August 15 and all members of our committee were re-elected.



Treasurer Patsy Davy, President Geoff Friebe and Secretary Ann Patrick

Geoff Friebe thanked all our volunteers, making particular mention of Sid Roatch and Ken Perry who have done a wonderful job of restoring our club gardens.

Ann Patrick was awarded Honorary Membership for the huge contribution that she has made to the Club over the years, particularly as Club Secretary and Director Coordinator.



Ann Patrick

Geoff congratulated Helen Baker and Robin Rose on achieving membership of the 1000 Masterpoints Club.

Winter Pairs Competition



1st Graeme Hillier and Shirley Drage2nd Ray Wood and Wence Vahala3rd Chieh Goodlet and Colleen Stone

We look forward to welcoming visitors to the Clun for our West Coast congress on Sunday Sep 12.

## Mandurah Bridge Club

from Ian Jones

The Club's Teams event in July was won by the Hardie team of Gudrun Kemmer, Carole Hazelden, Christine Leather and Sandra Hardie. Runners up were the Walker team of Colleen Webb, Peter Knight, Sheryl Coates and Neville Walker.

## SUPERVISED SESSIONS

Just fresh out of bridge lessons or quite inexperienced but would still love to play at the club?

Come along and join in "Supervised Sessions" commencing at 12:45 on Mondays and 12 pm and Wednesdays

These sessions are run independently to other sessions Cost: \$5 for members; non-members also welcome - \$6

## Kalamunda Bridge Club

From Betty Roberts

The Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday 14 August. Carole Littlechild was elected President - unopposed.

The results of the recent ballot for the Management committee were announced as follows:

2021-22 Management Committee

President	Carole Littlechild
Vice President	John Shinnick
Treasurer	Dianne Barker
Secretary	Barbara Bibby
Committee Members	Judith Poole,
	Kaye Prance.
	Ian Purcell,
	Jenny Tedeschi,
	Alan Puckey



There was an excellent attendance of Members who enjoyed a game of bridge and afternoon tea.



DAYTIME PAIRS (under 300 MP)



1st Elizabeth Bazen and Denise Borger



2nd Judith Poole and Lynne Roberts
Christmas in July
A reflection of a very enjoyable event









## South Perth Bridge Club

From Jane Walker

The Club was fairly buzzing all weekend as players did battle in the various tournament events of the TBIB Congress. The playing room was completely full Saturday as two hundred and eight players took part in the TBIB Qualifying event. Front of House Manager Wilma Coloper coordinated her army of volunteers in the kitchen to provide an endless stream of very diverse snacks to go with frequent tea and coffee breaks throughout the day.

Saturday Qualifiers

N/S Nigel Dutton and Marie-France Merven



E/W Deana Wilson and Renee Cooper



Best South Perth Pair David Munro (David Schokman)

Best Under 100MP - Marie Singleton and Geoff Dullard

Best Under 300 - Dianne Dwyer and Christine Bacon

Final

1st Ron Cooper and Chris Ingham



2nd Viv Wood and Gerry Daly

3rd = Alfred Leung and Phil Jacobsen / Phil Bapty and Gwyneira Brahma

Plate

1st Se-Moi Loh and Laurel Lander



2nd Martin Doran and Pauline Collett 3rd Fusako Hashimoto and Noriko Sakashita Consolation

1st Graeme Cronin and Wendy Kappelle
2nd Gill Gavshon and Chris Cullen
3rd Lynne Errington and Joanna Tennyson
Teams



1st Chris Mulley, Renee Cooper, Paul Brayshaw and Deana Wilson with 2nd left Vice President Tony McKinnon

2nd David Matthews, Don Allen, Ron Cooper and Chris Ingham

3rd Jan Howell, Sheryl Coates, Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao

## Kalgoorlie Bridge Club

From Sue Lia

The Club recently held our AGM, the outcome from this was the formation of a new committee.

President	Sue Lia
Vice President	Mary Williams
Secretary	Barry Aslett
Treasurer	Leanne Lapworth
Masterpoints	Anthony Porter
Committee	Michael Fisher
	Kerry Williams
	Yvonne Hefron
	Karen Ellis.

Thanks to past committee members and the new committee looks forward to taking the club into the future.

WE HAVE MOVED – after 5 years at Campbell St the owners have decided to sell the property. After an exhausting and stressful search for a new playing venue we have been fortunate to find a new home at the Boulder City Soccer Club – Hay Street Kalgoorlie.

Congress for 2021 was surprisingly booked out within weeks of opening registrations. We look forward to meeting players that are coming to the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club Congress for the first time and welcome those that are returning.



Our annual trip to the Esperance Bridge Club happened on the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup> August. As per usual the Esperance Bridge Club welcomed the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club with a competitive afternoon of bridge and their hospitality was

much appreciated. I don't know how they did it but they even turned on nice sunny days!!!. Was a change from the cold, wet and windy days we have been having in Kalgoorlie.

## West Australian Bridge Club

From Kitty George

What better way to brighten up a wet July than to hold a Super Saturday at WABC, sponsored by Aspire2 Wealth. 44 tables gathered to celebrate with a Tokyo Olympics Opening Ceremony theme.



The club house was gaily decorated with the flags of participating countries and gold and silver medals and trophies were presented with great gravitas (gosh how realistic plastic can be). A very testing but fun quiz session was held after the game while we enjoyed a delicious array of nibbles and of course the odd drink.



E/W 1st Kate North and Mira Erskine



N/S 1st Lee Hazell and Jane Clough



The event proved such a success that we will close off the Olympics on Saturday 21 August in similar style and look forward to Fabulous Friday on 17th September when we will also be celebrating our Diamond Members (those who have or will turn 90 this year). All are welcome to come along for a fun afternoon.

Two Championship events have been held since our last Focus report. Winners of the Swiss Pairs were Deana Wilson and Gwyneira Brahma with runners up Mimi Packer and Jonathan Free closely followed by Chris Bagley and John Beddow.



The Daytime Pairs were won by David Burn and Lynne Milne. 2nd Vinod Nasta and Sue Gammon and 3rd to Bruce Fraser and Chris Ingham.

Our special Novice playing with Rookie session, organised by Carla Sullivan, was popular again this year with 24 pairs taking part.



N/S 1st Jeff Veling and Eve Clarkson with Convener Carla Sullivan



2nd Amanda Bracewell (Fran Brennan)



3rd Helen King and Diana Humphrys



E/W 1st Penni Fletcher-Hughes and Keith Cramond



2nd Cindy Rodeheaver and Maurice Ford



3rd Jan French and Shelley James

Starting on the 8th September at 7:15pm we will be holding a Red Point 3 week Swiss Pairs. This is not an event so doesn't attract any prizes but it is open to all players and the entry fee is just your usual table money. Pairs must enter on the WABC website and play all three sessions but substitutes are allowed for one session. If you like playing Swiss Pairs, or just need more experience or red points, then get your entry in now.

## City of Melville Bridge Club

From Richard Fuller RECENT EVENTS

We held our Winter Congress at the end of July, delayed a bit by the COVID lockdown. We had eighteen tables at the Welcome Pairs. N/S winners were Nigel Dutton and Marie-France Merven and E/W winners were David Matthews and Jessica Chew. Jeannie Ravn and Danny Ravn had the best Melville results, coming second N/S. The best Melville players who did not win a major prize were Bruce Jensen and Henk Meydam (N/S) and Gwyneira Brahma and Cassie Morin (E/W).

The Swiss Pairs attracted 50 pairs, with Hasan Hazra and Rez Karim winning the event The best Melville pair was Gwyneira Brahma and Phil Bapty.

20 teams competed in the Teams -

1st David Matthews, Jessica Chew, Geoff Holman and Chris Ingham.

The best Melville team comprised Doreen Jones, Gwyneira Brahma, Phil Bapty and Cassie Morin.

Focus can be seen in full colour on the BAWA website:

http//www.bawa.asn.au/



MBC members Danny Ravn and Jeannie Ravn 2nd Welcome Pairs



Best MBC N/S pair not winning a major prize in the Welcome Pairs: Henk Meydam and Bruce Iensen.



Best MBC E/W pair Welcome Pairs: Gwyneira Brahma and Cassie Morin.



Best MBC pair in the Teams: Gwyneira Brahma, Phil Bapty and Cassie Morin (with Doreen Jones). Gwyneira and Phil were also the best MBC pair in the Swiss Pairs.

Thanks to all our helpers.

Melville Bridge Club has built up a reputation for providing excellent snacks at our congresses, and our Winter Congress was no exception. Members generously provided a variety of food, some of it from their own secret recipes, and helped serve it during breaks in play.





Dora Wilson Cup

Twenty-four pairs competed in the members only Dora Wilson Cup that was held recently over two Friday afternoons.



Winners of the Dora Wilson Cup: Se-Moi Loh and Bill Symons



2nd Dora Wilson Cup: Suzanne Goodall and Martin Goodall

### LESSONS

Our next lessons for beginners begin on Tuesday 5th October at 7.00 pm and will run for four

weeks. Cost for the 4 lessons is \$50. Bookings are essential and should be made with Claire Weston: 0429 398 101.

### COMING EVENTS

We invite you to the following open events that will be held soon:

Melville Bridge Club Birthday Congress: Saturday 2nd October at 9.30AM. Entries via MyABF.

First Sunday of the Month walk-in pairs: Sunday 3rd October at 1.00pm.

Giddyup Melbourne Cub pairs (30% more green points): Tuesday 2nd November at 12.30pm. Come earlier to watch the race on our big screen and test your luck in our sweeps.

Back to Basics presented by Nigel Dutton

This is a series of 3 lessons designed for players with up to 3 years' experience, although all are welcome. Topics covered:

- Rebids by Opener the biggest area of error
- Opener bids a new suit what now for Responder?
- Strong rebids by Opener second biggest area of error.



3 sessions on Mondays at 10.00 to 12.00 noon, beginning Monday 20th September.

Cost \$45 includes comprehensive notes.

Bookings are essential. Contact Claire Weston 0429 398 101

## **Nedlands Bridge Club**

From Linda Bedford-Brown

The Sunday Congress was another success and special thanks must go to Secretary Mary-Jane Whitehead, Treasurer Ann Goode, House Manager Robin Burton and Vice President Linda Bedford-Brown for the smooth operation of the day.



1st Deana Wilson and Renee Cooper with President Ian Bailey



2nd Jan Blight and Joan Touyz



3rd David Matthews (Chris Ingham)4th Nigel Dutton and Marie-France Merven



5th Richard Grenside and Sue Grenside 6th Beata Bieganski and Lilia Male

Best Nedlands Pair Kate Pinniger and Carla Sullivan

Best Under State Masters Frances Crewe and David Saunders

• October short course - Oct 2021 Wednesdays 6, 13 and 20 10am - noon

Our esteemed teacher, Fiske Warren, will be offering a 3 week course for intermediate players. Topics are chosen that will be useful to give yourself better results. This course will look at winning your suit contracts. You can learn when to draw trumps, how to set up side suits and more

• Spring Congress Oct 8th 9t 10th

The club will run its popular spring congress over three days, October 8, 9 and 10. This is a regular event on the club calendar and is a popular competition. Make sure you don't miss out by getting your entry in early. Put your entry in via the BAWA web site. For further information see the flyer in this issue.

• October advanced lesson - Oct 27th 10 am -

The club holds advanced lessons designed to help you improve your play. The lessons are conducted by our club teacher, Fiske Warren, and occupy a two hour time slot. There will an opportunity to practice the principles presented, but it is not necessary to bring a partner. The topic is – Simple squeeze play – frustrate your opponents. Payment can be made on the day. Register for the lesson by putting your name in the book at the club or do it on-line by clicking on Register here on line. Note that originally this was to be on Lebensohl but the April lesson had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

## Maccabi Bridge Club

From Luba Klein



Judy Havas and Chris Ross – Winners of Eric Samuell Open Pair held Monday, 16th August.



2nd Joan Touyz and Frankie Selikow

3rd Deidre Greenfeld and Denise Sharbanee



David Saunders who won a prize recently at the Nedlands Congress for restricted <300 masterpoints with partner Frances Crewe.

Maccabi Bridge Club is keen to attract new members. A reminder if you belong to another club and would like to have a game at Maccabi on Mondays, 11.30am start – Pay \$15 and join as an Associate Member.

Our next Open Red Point Event is the Klein Trophy Monday, 1st November and Wolinski Open Pairs on Monday, 6th December.

We are located at the Gordon Bloomfield Hall on Woodrow Avenue and we would welcome new bridge players coming along.

## **Undercroft Bridge Club**

From Connie Coltrona

The results of the Ossie Trigwell Handicap Pairs  $1^{st}$  Bernie Plath and Ky Khan  $2^{nd}$  Carol Kelly and David Chatman  $3^{rd}$ . Julia Hustad and Harry Crosby.



Allan Rolls celebrated a milestone Birthday recently, pictured with wife Mary, at Undercroft Bridge Club.



The festivities were in full swing at the Sundowner supported by musicians Dermott Doherty and Mark Cooper and vocalist David Pitts.

Happy Birthday Allan.

## **Bunbury Bridge Club**

In the August edition of Focus, the Bunbury Bridge Club reported on their 40th anniversary celebrations. Unfortunately, and regrettably, the submitted article omitted to mention some other persons who have significant key made contributions towards player development, teaching and mentoring over the 40-year journey. These included Moth Andersson (dec.), Di Brooks and Murray Webber. The Bunbury Bridge Club Management Committee sincerely apologises for this omission.

## **Rockingham Bridge Club**

From Di Brooks

Mentors and Learners Event



Convenor Nicky O'Connell with 1st Lyn Bolton and mentor Jane Ophorst



2nd Mentor Rita Hood and Kaye Day



3rd Pam Hughes and mentor Di Brooks



4th Mentor Nicky O'Connell and Kerrie Kingston Students and members provided a delicious lunch and afternoon tea. Prizes were awarded. Grateful thanks to all participants.



## **Mandurah Congress**

From Ian Jones



The Winter Congress held in July was won by Ron Cooper and Jonathan Free, winning all their matches.



2<sup>nd</sup> Kathy Power and Phil Power



3rd Viv Wood and Gerry Daly

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4th Terri Garbutt and Viv Zotti



5th Vinod Nasta and Cynthia Belonogoff



Alan Dundas and Trish Anderson won the Best Mandurah Pair



Brian Wade and Colleen Skipsey won Best Country Pair



Best Under 300 Masterpoint winners were Peter Knight and Chris Bacon



## Maylands Bridge Club Inc.

One Day Novice Pairs Congress
RED POINT EVENT

Restricted to 150 Masterpoints as at 30 June 2021

FRIDAY 29 OCTOBER 2021

Two sessions 10.00 am and 2.00 pm  $\,$ 

Director: David Burn

Convenor: Joyce Archibald

BYO LUNCH

Table Money \$25.00

Enter via the BAWA website or contact the Club

Joyce 0409 100 744





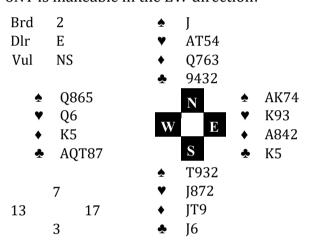




## **DEEP-AND-MEANINGFULS #17**

Paul Brayshaw taps into the innermost thoughts of Deep Finesse®

Playing in your first event for quite a while – the South Perth winter congress teams – has so far been quite exhilarating. As you bask in the glow of your fourth-round victory, your attention is drawn to one particular deal on the hand record. You were relieved to discover earlier that your wonderful friend DF has produced the analyses for the hands in this tournament rather than that new-fangled Solvitt®, and her acute sense of card play is apparent on Board 2. A mere flat 450 in spades in your match, but DF has professed that 6NT is makeable in the EW direction:



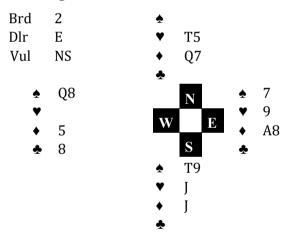
With ten top tricks only, and an eleventh in  $\P$ , your first thoughts are that you may be able to organise an endplay in  $\clubsuit$ , but North has the  $\P$ A, so that puts an end to that. A Morton's Fork on North in the  $\P$  suit also looks possible, but there is nothing to be achieved by it, so you soon drop that notion. There must be some sort of squeeze, then, you think, but it looks far from simple. You decide to make it interesting.

"Prize for the first person to spot the correct squeeze for 6NT on Board 2!", you offer. Pens start scrawling on the back of used hand records, but no-one is able to find a solution for such a non-trivial hand in the five minutes between rounds. As a consequence, at the end of the tournament you dodge the sausage rolls and take the problem home unsolved.

"Right," you say to yourself once at home, armed with a hot drink in one hand and the hand record in the other. "There is no simple squeeze, and seemingly no double either, since both defenders are guarding the red suits. There is no squeeze

without the count – we've managed to establish that, at least. How about that guard squeeze, then?"

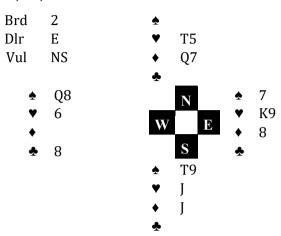
Your partner had mentioned that a guard squeeze might be the way, but you were doubtful as there were too many opportunities for the opponents to destroy the intricate menaces required. However, as a starting point, it might be worthwhile to see if one is possible. A  $\blacklozenge$  lead is the best start by the opponents. This is taken with the king and the  $\blacktriangledown$ Q offered to North, who must take it (or you could then lead a  $\blacktriangledown$  to the king for the twelfth trick). Let's say North plays another  $\blacktriangledown$  to remove the link in that particular menace. Aha! Yes, you recognise this sort of position. The  $\blacktriangle$ AK must be cashed now, but not the queen. Four rounds of  $\clubsuit$  follow, throwing a  $\spadesuit$  and a  $\spadesuit$  from East:



Yes, that works. You can now execute the double guard squeeze by playing the last  $\clubsuit$ . You have that idle  $\spadesuit$  to chuck from dummy, which is why you couldn't cash the queen earlier. North can part with the  $\P$ 5, but poor South is in the usual discard predicament – a  $\spadesuit$  would be instant suicide, the  $\spadesuit$ J would magically create a finesse against North's  $\spadesuit$ , and the  $\P$ J would expose North to a simple squeeze in the red suits when the  $\spadesuit$ Q is played. As wonderful as this all sounds, however, North can simply return a  $\spadesuit$  when in with  $\P$ 4 to destroy the position, so this can't be the whole truth.

You sit and stare at the position after a second round of ♦ from North, incredulous and unable to believe that this hand can beat you. Gradually, you grow drowsy and your eyesight starts to blur, the ♦ and ♥ blending into one red colour in the middle

of each hand. Suddenly, you have a moment of clarity. Of course! The red suits are basically the same, as far as guard squeezes go. If they attack one menace, you can use the other. The play is basically identical. ◆AK first, then run the ♣. Ho, ho, ho, look at that!



The NS cards are exactly the same, only the pain has changed. The ◆8 now becomes the menace against both opponents, and the ♥ are the guard menace. The last club puts them into the blender feet first, as before. As it is impossible for North to break up both menaces when in with ♥A, you have a choice of double guard squeeze, depending on their continuation. How many hands could claim to have that feature??

The satisfaction of this outcome is still poor compensation for the disturbing news you heard today - that Solvitt now accounts for 50% of all tournament analyses world-wide. It sounds as though DF, rather than just having competition, is actually in danger of being phased out really soon. Fretting, and hoping against hope that this information was mere hyperbole, you have a restless night, but do eventually fall asleep. DF beckons you down to her mysterious world, but you know that something is wrong the moment you see her in the misty purple distance. She is pacing and appears agitated. When she sees you approach, she makes an attempt at a smile, but her flustered disposition remains plain to be seen. Oh no, not good, you think. Clearly, her workload has been dwindling rapidly. She confirms this when you ask her to tell you what's wrong.

"It's getting to the point where I'm spending large amounts of time completely idle," she complains, "which I find difficult to endure. I need to do what I do best, and that is analyse bridge deals. If I can't do that, I might as well not exist, and may indeed cease to exist."

It always upsets you when she is not herself, but her last clause fills you with the utmost alarm. You have not thus far conceived of the mortality of your dearest friend, whom you assumed would just exist forever in her peculiar little world. A bitter reality now dawns on you, that DF herself may simply disappear, at the moment of obsolescence of the software itself, in much the same way as she sprang into existence when it was first commissioned. She is so deeply entrenched in your life, now, that such an event would cause you immeasurable pain.

DF appears to read your thoughts. "It's that Solvitt, isn't it?", she asks in an accusative tone. "I've completely underestimated it. I couldn't imagine why people would want something new, when my work is 100% accurate and performed in such a short amount of time as to render any desire for greater performance fairly meaningless."

She waves her hands in the air while speaking with such animation, and you are once again mesmerised by the ever-changing displays of diamonds on her fingers. However, it is her heart that you are most concerned about at this point.

"It's not the algorithm, or the performance," you break gently, "it's merely the extra features, and the compatibility with modern computer systems. People want new things because they think they're better, not because they are. You are becoming a victim of your own success, as developers seek to capitalise on your popularity by creating non-vanilla versions of yourself."

"Why, why, why can't people let the beauty of the card play speak for itself, rather than getting spoon-fed the information?" she bemoans, calming down somewhat and seating herself. "For so long, I have been providing my analysis and opening players' eyes to possibilities that are beyond their immediate vision and, for many, completely beyond them full stop, as I have painfully observed. My work has allowed me to connect with a special person and give us the friendship we now enjoy. I like to think – I want to think – that I have made a difference. But I also want to just keep doing the work I love and provide an important service. I feel so helpless in the face of this Solvitt thing."

Your heart is wrenched by her unhappiness. A plan begins to form in your mind. "I'm going to do something about this", you promise to her

suddenly. "I will do my best to ensure that you can continue to work indefinitely."

She is silent, but her face signals a thank-you and she gives you a hug. Shortly afterwards, you wake up, determined to follow through with your idea.

To be continued...



## Broome Bridge Club

From Maura Rhodes

Rick and I went to Broome recently with one of our daughters, Caroline and her husband, Paul and two children, Matthew aged four and his sister, Amy. We had a wonderful time with perfect weather and celebrated little Amy's third birthday when we were up there.

While we were there, we decided to have a game at the Broome Bridge Club. A weekly game takes place every Tuesday afternoon at 1pm at the Seventh Day Adventist Church Hall from mid-June to the end of August. Our friend, Pat Leavy very kindly picked us up from our apartment and drove us there and back after the game It was a really fun afternoon with nine tables, almost all of whom were comprised of caravanners from around Australia. It was really interesting to talk to all the grey nomads and hear their stories. We spoke to one lucky couple from NSW who had been travelling for months and had no plans to go home in the foreseeable future.



I assumed we would have to shuffle and deal, but I was wrong. The boards were all dealt and the whole session was very efficiently organised. The usual director, Ros Warnock wasn't able to be

there that day, so Kaye Thompson and Ken Else, who had recently arrived from Albany, kindly agreed to do it. The Club is administered by Mike and Pam Wadsworth who have done an excellent job for about thirty years. Sadly, they have done their time and this will be their last season administering this wonderful club. Ros Warnock is happy to continue as the director, but someone is needed to organise the club in the dry season next year. I do hope someone is able to step up and fill this vacancy. Mike and Pam will be a hard act to follow, but there must be someone who is willing and able to take on their role.



If any of you are going to Broome for a holiday, I think you would enjoy an afternoon at the Bridge club. We certainly did!

Pam and Mike appreciate prior notice from people planning to attend.

Pam can be contacted on 0412 019 775 and Mike on 0439 921 045.



## **BRIDGE QUOTE**

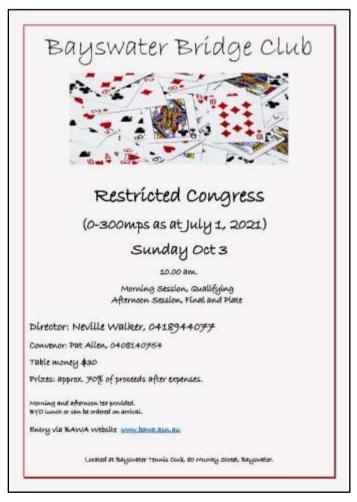
If you don't plan on responding to your partner's takeout double with no points, be sure to drive to the bridge game in separate cars.

(Taken from Audrey Grant 2006 book Improving your judgement #2 Doubles)









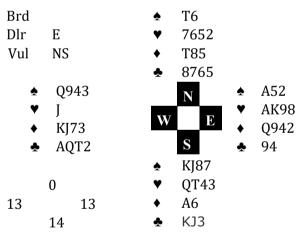


## Disrespect

From David Schokman

Bridge is just a fantastic game and a real leveller. Sometimes every decision that you make turns out to be perfect. Then there are the "Curate Egg" days which are good and bad in patches, and finally there is Murphy's Law, which is "Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong". Playing at the Nedlands club, in the Ranjit Gauba pairs, it just happened to be one of those Murphy days but there was only one person to blame, and that was me.

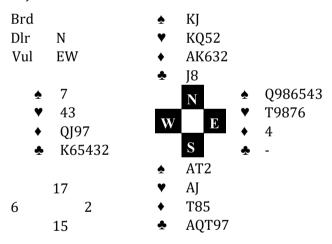
It started in the first round with a phantom sacrifice in 4S, over a non-making 4H. Minus 13 imps which sent us down to table 16, exactly where we finished after round seven. Clawing our way back in round 5, a terrible bid cost us 1100 points and made my partner particularly unhappy. And then we drew Jane Reynolds and Viv Wood, a top pair whom I would have been happy to avoid! But let's go to the minus 1100.



Playing ACOL my RHO opponent opened with a bid of 1NT (12-14 points). I had a sound 14 points, sitting over the opening bidder so decided that there was no real danger in bidding and joined the party, choosing 2D which showed both majors. What was wrong? Firstly the vulnerability, then the texture of the suits, all broken. If the diamond ace and club king were major suit cards, and at least one of them a five suiter, there would have been every justification to make this bid. The third and worst error was dropping my guard and thinking that the nice lady sitting on my left would not punish me for my folly. My partner bid a very reluctant 2H which was passed around to my LHO, who doubled; east was delighted to pass. It was

carnage on the lead of the club nine and would probably have been 1400 if the diamond was led instead. Bridge is a competitive game and if you are silent most of the time you are unlikely to be a regular winner. The lesson in this is not my stupidity (which is a Gold Medal winner) but that you think carefully before making bids on hands like this as the risk is far too great. Was I unlucky? Certainly so, but I also showed a lack of bridge judgement and a great disrespect for my opponents. The punishment fitted the crime and was well deserved.

In another match my partner opened with a bid of 1D. My hand was A102, AJ, 1085, AQ1097, and planning to bid 2C I noticed that our vulnerable opponents (we were not) had bid 2D, showing the major suits.



A double by me showed values and a desire to punish them, almost certainly controlling one of the major suits. My LHO bid 2H, which was doubled by my partner, and there was little justification to do anything after that. You will tell me that we can make 6NT, but it is most unlikely that many people would have made that 2D bid with this holding: Q986543. 109876, 4. Void. Seven out of the 32 pairs bid to 6NT. 21 were in 3NT. Three pairs were doubled in 2H; 3H and 4S. Everyone got off lightly.

We only picked up 500 in 2H doubled but we erred in not playing trumps. It was west who bid the hearts and after the lead of the diamond king surely there should have been a shift to a low trump. This would have seen them making about three or four tricks only, rather than the six that they did.

One pair bid to 6D and were really quite unlucky.

It is obvious that people have different styles and that bid of 2D, over 1D, could have been a master stroke of bidding – but, bridge is a game of discipline and percentages, and I have to give the thumbs down to both bids of 2D.



## KALGOORLIE BRIDGE CLUB CONGRESS 2021

Director: Brian Wade **24, 25 and 26**<sup>th</sup> **September 2021** 

(long weekend)

**Fri 24**<sup>th</sup> **September -** 5.30pm Registration *Finger food and Bar open during registration time.* 

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~1pm Open Pairs — Final, Plate and Cons
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September - 9.30am
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and Farewells — Bar Open

Red Points - \$\$\$\$\$ and prizes

Free tea, coffee and water available throughout Congress

Conveners:

Sue Lia 0418215308

Mary Williams 0400681608

Congress will be provisional on WA Covid regulations

## **Test Your Slam Play**



By Bill Jacobs bill.jacobs55@gmail.com

Dlr	S	<b>♦</b> Q8743
Vul	All	<b>▼</b> A52
		♦ A82
		<b>♣</b> 108
	<b>•</b>	N
	•	W E
	<b>♦</b>	<b>—</b>
	<b>♣</b>	S
		<b>★</b> K62
	10	<b>▼</b> KQJ10964
		♦ KJ
	17	♣ A

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

West leads the ♣K to your iffy slam. Plan the play.

## **SOLUTION on page 28**

## **ABF Gold Point Events – Covid Update**

Mandatory vaccinations for 2022 Gold Point events. In order to provide a safe environment for players and officials at ABF Gold Point events, 2022 Covid19 Event Plans will include the requirement that all players and officials to be fully vaccinated. For those ineligible to be vaccinated for medical reasons, a medical certificate confirming such ineligibility along with confirmation of a negative Covid test conducted within 3 days of commencement of the event will be required. MyABF will work on a tick box for players entering an event to confirm they have a vaccination certificates or a medical certificate and a Negative test confirmation.



## IN CLUB ONLINE

## Guide to Growing Your Bridge Club Club Management Workshop

at WABC on Thursday 4 November 9:30am - 11:30am
7 Odern Crescent Swanbourne



Peter Cox BEc MBA is the leading economist, analyst and public speaker on the management of the media, leisure

and sports industries in Australia. For over 35 years he has provided strategic advice to corporations, governments, operators and investors. He has also been interviewed on hundreds of TV and radio programs and in all the major newspapers and written many feature articles including for the Financial Review and The Australian.

Peter has researched and analysed the history and current state of bridge in both Australia and internationally, the competitive marketplace, the trends in players and club numbers and the challenges and opportunities for bridge clubs in the future.

Bridge clubs are facing declining memberships because of the ageing members (average age over70) and growing attrition, the decline of night Bridge and a highly competitive market for leisure activities. Now they face the additional challenge of the effect of the clubs being closed for months and how to win members back.

We need to attract more people to bridge and to retain them through the beginner's classes and supervised stages to becoming regular club players and members.

## TEN POINT PLAN FOR BRIDGE GROWTH

- 1. Social creating a very friendly club and an activity perceived as good for mental health
- 2. Members 35,000 strong Sales force understand and motivate them to bring friends

- 3. Traditional marketing emails, leaflets, media releases, local papers and radio
- 4. Social Media advertising with Facebook, Google, Instagram is more highly targeted
- 5. Teaching Bridge teaching on Demand, Online Teaching in the future
- 6. Retention the Buddy System to retain beginners to members
- 7. Incentives Grants and Advertising subsidies to encourage local advertising
- 8. Online embrace in F2F clubs, convenience, partners not required
- 9. Congresses select and promote social aspects, location, accommodation, restaurants
- 10. Workshops Marketing and Management advice available free to all clubs

The presentation takes about 2 hours. Members of all WA clubs are welcome to attend because there are many suggestions on how everyone can make your club a more welcoming, social and community experience. In particular all club officials, directors, teachers, volunteers and those who would like to contribute to the success of your club.

## There is no fee to attend but bookings are essential and can be made via the BAWA website Enter a Club Congress section.

Peter Cox is a highly energetic, enthusiastic and entertaining professional speaker having spoken at over 70 industry conferences and conducted seminars or workshops for thousands of executives.

If you have any further questions contact Peter at petercox@ozemail.com.au or Sheenagh Young at bridge@wabridgeclub.com.au or 0409 381 439

## Pitch Inspection



By Ron Klinger http://www.RonKlingerBridge.com Improve Your Bridge Online

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		Pass	Pass
1NT (1)	2♥ (2)	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

- (1)(1)15-17
- (2) Hearts and spades

West leads the DK: ace – ten (high-discouraging) – two. Declarer plays the S4: seven – ace – nine, followed by the S2: king – five – D3. East's D3 is odd-card-encouraging. West continues with the DQ: five – seven – four.

What should West play at trick 4?

## **SOLUTION** on page 28

## **ADVERTISING IN FOCUS**

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## DENMARK BRIDGE CLUB CONGRESS

October 15th-17th 2021

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Friday 15th October 6.00pm

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Swiss Pairs (IMPs) \$50pp

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- ✓ Players to be seated 10 minutes before play
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## **Back to Basics**

By Di Brooks

Rockingham held its monthly Mentors and Learners event. Several queries came up during the session and these were passed on to me... so let's take a look at the original systems that started up in the early 1920s'.

- Eli Culbertson based his opening bids on holding A, K, A ... an 11 count.
- When holding 12 points, take one point off if the hand didn't hold an Ace.
- Acol 1NT of 12 points was fine, with 3 Aces.
- Goren was based on 4 card suits, but a strong NT.
- Then Standard American evolved to 5 card majors.
- 1956, the Americans introduced the Joker into a pack of cards.
- Harold Vanderbilt, an American shipping magnate, introduced vulnerability into the scoring, enabling the players to enjoy the challenge of winning (or losing) packets of money, when playing Chicago, a form of scoring each hand, with each person having a turn at Dealer, Non Vul or Vul. Auction Bridge scoring was like a game of tennis. The first side to have scored 100 was a game in hand and therefore vulnerable. The opponents had to battle to get their 100 points to even the scoring, otherwise they would lose the rubber, as Best out of 3 games.

Bonus for a two game rubber; 500 whilst a Best out of 3, bonus; 300.

- In latter days, C.C. Wei, another shipping magnate, paid for a system to be developed as a gift for his wife. Hence the birth of Precision, by C.C. Wei. After all, what can you give a woman who has everything!!!
- Then we have the Law of Total Tricks and the Losing Trick Count.

Neither of which I will explain as I am trying to keep to Basic Bridge for Beginners.

But this doesn't explain the problems at Mentor and Learners. One comment was "Didn't you know you had to have a rebid? Some new players like their hand of 12 points. They open the bidding and find they don't like partner's bid and flounder when they can't find a rebid. They either Pass or Panic and bid some unworkable bid and find themselves in hot water. One such example is the hand that holds 12 points, 6 spades and 4 hearts. They open 1S, bidding is passed around to their partner, who doesn't like spades and bids 1NT. Back to the opener, who is enamoured with their 6 card spade suit and rebids 2S. Responder had said, "I don't have more than 9 points and I don't like your suit!"

Opener, give your side a chance to find a better fit. Bid 2H and wait for the response. Imagine the excitement when you hit paydirt. A FIT!

A good tip: Find a 4 - 4 fit, rather than a 5 - 3 fit. You can take out trumps and throw any losers on the 4th and 5th card of the side suit.

Having looked at a few of the learners' questions, we now come to Defence.

It is too easy to just follow the play, discarding/carding randomly. Newbies have no idea of count nor of attitude. Their thoughts, "It doesn't matter. I'll just play whatever"! Sitting in with my intermediate group, the students finish the hand and then comes the dreaded question... "What card did partner play on your Ace of diamonds" They had not taken any notice. They were too busy following suit. They now have graduated past the beginners' stage and it's the time to take on some more advanced stuff. Welcome to the World of Bridge.

I tell the players, "You are always learning" Not one player knows it all.

Back to Basics.

Opener Responder

1S 2S (1, 2 that will do) ? Opener's rebid depends on shape and points.

Opener Responder

1H 1S (I don't like hearts)
1NT Minimum hand 2S (1, 2 that will do)

Opener Responder
1NT 2D? Stayman
2D No Major 2NT = 9 points
3NT = 10-14 points

If this pair get into trouble it is usually because they use Stayman when it was not necessary. Remember - NO SHAPE, NO STAYMAN.

Last but not least, Read the same book with partner. Only take on one new convention. Learn it well, before introducing anything else into the system.

And finally, ENJOY yourself. Bridge is fun. Believe me. Would I lie to you???

## Directing on the 13th

Directing on Friday, 13th never worries me. I am not normally superstitious, but a recent session may make me think twice.

Rockingham's Red Point event, Leo Pairs, started off well with 10 tables. great. But illness and personal family matters dropped the tables by a half. Then came a phone call that one pair was running late. They would arrive smack on playing time but would be late for the actual seating time.

(Directors need extra time to organise the session movement, make any changes and also arrange seeding, where necessary. The fees collections are made easier with players seated early)

The late pair were placed as the sit out. No problems. The movement was a Mitchell, with a share and bye, with the sit out pair at Table 10. This meant that Tables 1 and 10 had no need to share boards. Perfect.

A member volunteered to take the session monies. A bonus for the director. The Hi Tech square for collecting monies by direct debit decided not to work. That's ok, we will get the table fees at tea break.

The session started early. Another bonus. Then the silly season started. One North decided to enter the board number instead of the table number in the BridgeMate. Easy to change. Off we go again.

Three boards around. The BridgeMates refused to go to next round. Guess what? The Director had

made a mistake. Easy fixed. (Who says Directors are perfect!)

Then followed two calls for lead out of turn. Players had removed the bidding cards off the table, so no one remembered who bid what and who was on lead. Sounds familiar.

Underbidding, three calls. One of which resulted with the director's ruling being very unpopular... I was called ... The bidding on the table was:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	2♣	3♥	4♣

First impression - nothing wrong with the bidding sequence, until East explained that South had placed 2D, followed by 3D, both insufficient bids, followed by 4C.

North was most unhappy when I explained the 4C bid stood, North was out of the bidding, although West, East could bid. So could South, but the opponents decided to pass the bidding out and North played 4C making 13 tricks.

Director explained: players cannot make their own ruling. The non - offenders also have rights. Whether the session is green points or Red ... the Director MUST be called.

Now all this was before tea break. (The director still happy)

Now just to keep you all informed ... Rockingham Bridge Club doesn't just have a Tea Break. Members bring platters of sandwiches, plus savories and sweet things. The Club provides the usual refreshments, which include slices of cucumber and tomato to go with the cheese and biscuits. Member's birthdays are celebrated with the member bringing the cake.

Tea break over. (Hoping for a quiet second half.) Not to be. Remember, it's the 13th. Either that or too much sugar.

The Director was called to adjudicate on protocol, etiquette and the usual number of revokes.

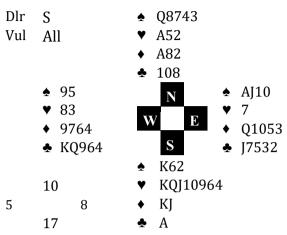
A day in the Life of a Director. Does this deter me? NO. Would I consider joining the ranks of the State Directors? NO. I have a happy life. Why would I change what works for me! Do I encourage members to try their hand at directing? YES, the more the merrier.

And lastly, give a thought to the Director. After all we too are just human beings.

## **Test Your Slam Play**

By Bill Jacobs

## SOLUTION



How can you avoid losing two spades here? One way is to get lucky in the suit: hope that one opponent has ace-doubleton in the suit. Lead a low card through that player, who must duck the ace. Then lead another low spade from both hands, on which the ace will win.

The problem is that it's an unlikely scenario. The odds of it being in play are about 28%, and even if that is the layout, you still have to guess which of the defenders has the short ace.

In fact there is a far superior line, involving a tricky and advanced device called the finesse. Lead  $\bigvee$ K and when both opponents follow, the  $\bigvee$ 6 (not the 4!) to dummy's ace. Next play a diamond to the jack. If that finesse wins, you are home. Draw the remaining trump, cash  $\bigvee$ K, and lead the  $\bigvee$ 4 to the precious  $\bigvee$ 5 in dummy. Finally, the  $\bigvee$ 4 to throw away a losing spade.

The moral: When this deal occurred in real life (or as close to real life as online bridge can be considered), the diamond finesse lost. "Fortunately", there was no winning play in spades either. Sometimes one has to be content with making the correct technical play.



## **GRAND MASTER - RESTRICTED**

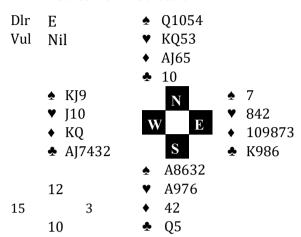
2-week event starts Thursday 28 October 2021 City of Melville Bridge Club Commences at 7.30pm

## **Pitch Inspection**

By Ron Klinger

## SOLUTION

From a State Team Selection:



West opened 1NT in third seat, North showed both majors and South jumped to 4S. West began with the DK, taken by the ace. East discouraged with the D10. Declarer played a spade to the ace and a spade back. West took the SK and East discarded the D3, encouraging.

Why encourage diamonds? As the defence could collect at most one trick from clubs and one from diamonds, it was important for East to dissuade West from switching to hearts. By encouraging diamonds East was telling West that hearts was not the place to look for more tricks.

West deduced that declarer, a passed hand, would not have five spades to the ace, plus the HA and the CK. With that much, South, an aggressive bidder, would have opened 1S. Noting East's pitch West cashed the DQ. East followed with the D7, his lowest, a suit-preference signal for clubs. Having inspected the diamond cards, West duly switched to a low club. East won with the CK and returned a diamond, allowing West to score the SJ for one down.

## **EDITING OF MATERIAL**

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## Results

## BAWA Daytime Open Pairs (18)

1	Gwyneira Brahma and Phil Bapty
2	Nigel Dutton and Marie-France Merven
3	Jessica Chew and David Matthews

## 70% Results (Random search)

## **Albany**

- 72.5 Anne-Marie Horwitz and Ruhi Ferdowsian
- 72.8 Bob Fergie and Sybil Davies

### **Armadale**

70.0 Dorothy Dean and Raymond Glass

### Kalamunda

70.0 Anita Davis and Julie Bechelli

## Rockingham

- 77.5 Joan Ophorst and Joan Rickers
- 75.0 Mike Fulwood and Pat Ditchfield

### Undercroft

- 76.0 Anthony Eardley and Philip Oldershaw
- 71.8 Margaret Szymakowski and Brian Fensome
- 72.0 Carol Kelly and David Chapman
- 70.0 Larry Baker and Susan Parkinson

### Westcoast

71.9 Sara Westergren and Faye Agnello

## South Perth

- 71.8 Flaviu Radu and Ovidiu Calcan
- 72.0 Renee Cooper and Deana Wilson
- 70.0 Dave Munro and Gwyneira Brahma

### Willetton

74.0 Nick Taylor and Stephen Ha

### **Bunbury**

- 79.0 Graeme Bowman and Colin Bell
- 70.0 Colin Bell and Graeme Bowman

### **Denmark**

72.0 Pam Minchin and Robert Stick

### Geraldton

77.0 Wayne Cupitt and Heather Cupitt

### Mandurah

- 75.0 Ulla Stenqvist and Carol Colson
- 70.0 Neville Walker and Colleen Webb
- 72.0 Phil Power and Kathy Power
- 72.0 Florence Maltby and Patricia Anderson

## **Maylands**

73.8 Anne De Souza and Vincent Menezes

### **Nedlands**

- 71.0 Tom Wheatley and Frank O'Connor
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## TEAMS OF 4 - August 2021

## From John Beddow

## OPEN

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
WABC	5	5	87.31
NEDLANDS	5	3	58.01
UNDERCROFT	5	3	44.02
SPBC	5	-	27.64
MACCABI	4	1	23.02

### INTERMEDIATE

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
SPBC	7	4	78.61
WABC A	5	5	75.40
WEST COAST B	6	3	66.45
MELVILLE	7	3	57.77
UNDERCROFT	5	3	55.03
MAYLANDS	5	3	53.99
WABC B	5	1	42.50
WEST COAST A	6	1	30.25

### NOVICE

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
WABC	4	3	62.46
NEDLANDS	5	3	62.15
SPBC	4	4	53.49
MELVILLE	3	1	22.04
MAYLANDS	4	-	15.50
WEST COAST	2	-	4.36



## October Deadline

September 20<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for inclusion in the October Focus.

## Diarize Now

## Upcoming BAWA & Club Events

	Sep	Sun 12th	Westcoast Congress
		Wed 15th	South Perth Pharmacy 777 Open Pairs
		Sat 18th – Sun 19th	HGR Memorial Congress Weekend
		Fri 24th - Sun 26th	Kalgoorlie Congress
	Oct	Sat 2nd	Melville Birthday Congress
		Sun 3rd	Bayswater Novice (0-150) Congress
		Tues 5th	BAWA Open Daytime Pears 3/3
		Fri 8th - Sun 10th	Nedlands Congress
		Fri 15th – Sun 17th	Denmark Congress
		Sat 23rd – Sun 24th	Undercroft Congress
		Thu 28th	Grandmaster Restricted Pairs 1/2
		Fri 29th	Maylands Novice Congress
	Nov	6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup>	***Joan Prince Swan River Swiss***
		Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	Super Vets
		Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	Undercroft Open Pairs
		Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Golden West Welcome Pairs – Mandurah Bridge Club
		Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	BAWA Golden West
		Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	Busselton Congress
	Dec	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> -Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	WABC Xmas Congress
**NOTE**	Times and venues are subject to change: substitutes must be confirmed by the director: read conditions of entry for the event on the BAWA website.		
**NOTE**	BAWA/Co	ngress Events	Entries <u>www.bawa.asn.au</u> unless other specified.

## **MyABF**



The exciting and innovative initiative of the ABF known as MyABF is now up and running. It is likely within 12 months ALL BAWA events along with affiliated club congresses will be entered and paid for via the MyABF website. Some clubs are actively pursuing this course.

It is therefore imperative that all bridge players in WA register with the MyABF website. It is very easy simply visit the site – there is a MyABF logo / link on the main BAWA website page. Click that link and follow the instructions to register. All that you are required to do is to enter your ABF number and choose a password

## A cashless BAWA and MyABF

In line with current trends and on the advice of our insurance company BAWA is going cashless.

As from August 1 2021 all BAWA events will require entry fees to be paid by Electronic Funds Transfer. Bank account details can be found on the BAWA website.

It is possible that by that time BAWA events may be entered and therefore paid for via the MyABF website and ABF Bridge Credits.

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